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Instead of being appointed minister to Mexico, E. E. McJimsey will go as consul to Callao, Peru.

Orlog to wild speculation on the stock market, call money in New York this week reached the highest mark since 1901, going as high as 95 per cent.

Instead of binding words with the Board of Prison Managers, Mr. Folk ought to leave the matter entirely to the Kansas City Star. The Star can fix it in a minute.

John A. McCall of the New York Life Insurance society this week refused the request of State Superintendent Vandiver for a list of Missouri policy holders in the company.

The report of the Prison Board, made public last Saturday, is said to have held Warden Matt Hall entirely free from blame in connection with the recent riot in the penitentiary.

The annual war between the senate and the president over "executive usurpation" has broken out. This time the offense is in connection with the management of the Panama canal construction.

President McCall of the New York Life Insurance Company has been unable to secure an accounting with Andrew Hamilton, and according to his promise, will have to pay into the treasury of the company out of personal funds of \$235,000.

Up to the time of adjournment for Christmas 19,041 bills had been introduced in Congress. Representative Brownlow of Tennessee holds the record for the number of bills introduced by a single member. He is sponsor for 317.

Judge Brady of Kansas City has within eight months imposed fines aggregating \$17,000 for carrying concealed weapons. He imposes a uniform fine of \$300 for this offense. The result has been good. The "gun toter" is a dangerous coward.

President Eliot, of Harvard, has made the best football suggestion to date. He says that coaches and professionals have ruined the game and that it ought, by consent of colleges, to be suspended for a year until experiments can be made to devise reforms that will certainly prove effective.

A Mormon colony is in process of formation in the state of Chihuahua, Mexico, where it is said the right to practice polygamy has been guaranteed to them by the state. In spite of the Edmunds act, polygamy is still practiced in Utah, though with some show of concealment.

Dr. Stephen A. Northrup, after a nine year's pastorate of the First Baptist church of Kansas City, has resigned to accept a call to similar work in Los Angeles. Dr. Northrup was one of the foremost pastors of Kansas City, and his going away will be a pronounced loss to the church of Kansas City and the state.

The people of Canada are said to be again elated over the prospect of reciprocity with the United States. Just wherein consists the prospect hardly appears to the general observer. Every few years the thing is talked about just before elections, but between times the matter is dropped as lightly as it is taken up. We are pursuing precisely the policy calculated to build up a rival manufacturing state to the north, when by wise arrangement we might easily keep all the other states of the two Americas for many years to come merely producers of raw material.

To all appearances the revolution in Russia has gotten beyond control. It may be that the rioting strikers in the great cities may be beaten and forced back to work. It may be that the demand for universal suffrage and the abolition of nobility may be for the present successfully resisted. But the bonds of society have been dissolved. The miserable peasantry is roaming, pillaging and burning. Physical degeneration of the classes long kept in bitter poverty seems to have turned them into wild beasts. The army, however loyal, will starve if the peasantry remains demoralized. If the reactionists are to succeed, they must succeed quickly. Already it seems too late.

The democratic state committee has now filled up its ranks and has determined to establish permanent headquarters in St. Louis. It proposes to devote itself to the perfecting of an organization with which to go into a victorious state campaign in the spring. There has been enough and to spare of bad feeling, recrimination, and sulking. Happily, the approaching state campaign will not be complicated with an apathetic, ill managed national campaign and a misfit presidential candidate.

A new state committee for the most part in sympathy with the state administration and for the most part inexperienced in politics is undertaking an important work and ought to have the hearty support of every democrat in every good word and work. There is no way of supporting a state ticket warmly and a national ticket coldly, as was proven in every state in the Union a year ago. There is no way of supporting a county ticket warmly and a state ticket coldly, as we need to learn before the next election. It will be a bitter experience for the democrats of Missouri if they permit local and personal factionalism to defeat county tickets all over the state; if they prove themselves worthy of defeat, by putting petty personal spites before the success of party principles. It is a great deal easier to retain power, as it is a great deal easier to retain fortune, than to regain it. It would be a glorious sight to see the Missouri democracy sink all personal and local differences in an enthusiasm for a larger common purpose. For the first time in thirty years the republicans have a good, harmonious organization and are flushed with partial victory. The next campaign in this state ought to be the most enthusiastic as it certainly is the most important and critical within the last quarter of a century.

The Kansas City Journal takes pleasure in calling attention to the president's change of base on the railway rate question. By referring to Mr. Roosevelt's message of a year ago it will be found that he was then in favor of giving the Interstate Commerce Commission the authority to "fix a rate upon complaint of a shipper, the same to go into effect at once." The president has now softened his recommendation to the suggestion of giving the Commission the authority to "fix a maximum rate upon complaint of a shipper, within which the railroad must establish its charge within a month, unless the Commission's order has been previously vetoed by a federal court of competent jurisdiction." The Journal, which has always been opposed to federal interference in the matter of rate making, is greatly pleased with the president's change of base upon this question and cites this change as an evidence of the president's moral courage. There is no law against calling things by any names that may seem appropriate, and if the Journal thinks this a specimen of moral courage it is perfectly proper to say so. But Mr. Roosevelt has undergone no many changes of heart upon fundamental questions—tariff, for instance—that it is difficult to make out a good case for him in this instance. Nobody ever had more to say about "the man behind the gun" than Mr. Roosevelt; but in the cases of Paul Morton, Loomis, Payne and others he has seen fit to abandon his dictum and blame disasters upon the gun.

Congressman Shackelford has introduced in congress a bill for the immediate appropriation of \$5,000,000 for the improvement of the Missouri river. His plan contemplates the progressive improvement of this river until it becomes indeed a navigable stream. The course is to be straightened, according to Mr. Shackelford's plan, and the channel narrowed. Of course the time will come, possibly within the lifetime of people now living, when the work of properly caring for our big rivers will receive proper attention from congress. Harry Hawes' suggestion of organizing the congressmen of the regions drained by the Ohio, Missouri and upper and lower Mississippi rivers was a good one and may yet be effected by some Western statesman.

Senators Bailey and Culbertson are attempting to frame a senate railroad rate bill. Texas has the most perfect rate laws of any of the states, and Culbertson was attorney general of that state when these laws were fought through the courts. Both of these men are great constitutional lawyers and their bill will doubtless receive attention.

Mr. Bryao, who is now in the Philippines, declined to be entertained by the governor of the islands, upon the ground that he is visiting there as a reporter and not as a citizen. He said that he might have occasion to criticize the government, and that he should not like to be embarrassed by being under obligation to his entertainers. These sentiments deserve to have been more widely applauded in this country than they have been, though, of course Governor Ide had no thought beyond that of showing a proper courtesy to an eminent American.

The Santa Fe Railroad Company's gift of the great hotel at Las Vegas, New Mexico, formerly owned and operated by the company as a summer resort, was formally accepted this week by the National Fraternal Societies Association. Nearly all of the larger fraternal orders of the United States are in this association, which intends to operate the place as a home for the aged. There are five or six thousand acres in the premises and it is estimated that at least 1,500 patients can be cared for without any additional buildings.

FIGHTING FOR PATENT.

Inventor Edison Tells of Alleged Wrongs Which Are Precipitated Upon Owners of New Devices.

"I happened to be chatting with Thomas A. Edison in his laboratory at Orange, New Jersey, one night while he was working on his most recent creation—the intensified dynamo," says a writer in Success Magazine, "and heard him discuss thoroughly the injustice that is done inventors in the United States. 'This very day,' he said, 'several of my well-known patents expire, and become the property of posterity, which means Tom, Dick and Harry. The government professes to protect the inventor for 17 years, and after that time his creation is no longer his own. But, as a matter of fact, the government does no such thing. It lets any poncher run in and bring suit, or apply for an injunction, disputing the inventor's patent, already granted by the patent office, and in all the courts, pending the long-drawn-out litigation which follows, the other fellow is permitted to go on manufacturing and selling the thing he claims to have invented before the real inventor made it.

"Do you see that little lamp there?" asked Mr. Edison, as he arose, full-length, in his ragged old linen duster of the workshop, and he pointed with his pencil to an ordinary incandescent electric light beaming brightly over a draftsman's table. 'It was my invention, known as a primary invention, because I took two things, a piece of metal and electricity, and made a third thing of them,—light. Now I fought 14 years in the courts for that little lamp, because a Frenchman bobbed up and claimed it after I had secured the patent. During all this litigation I had no protection whatever, and when I won my rights after 14 years, there were but three years of the allotted 17 left for my patent to live. It has now become the property of anybody and everybody. There is no protection given an inventor by the courts or the patent department.'

Absolutely Correct.

When the last Cleveland baby was born Mr. Cleveland was asked about the weight, which he gave as 12 pounds. Dr. Bryant, who was present, interrupted the ex-president to say that the nurse had reported the young hopeful to be an eight-pounder. "Well," said Mr. Cleveland, "I know, for I weighed him with the same scales that I use when I go fishing."

Reason for Yelling.

She—Why, those men at the stock exchange run about yelling like a lot of crazy men.

He—Well, I guess you'd yell like a crazy man if you paid \$60,000 for a seat and then couldn't sit down.—Yonkers Statesman.

No Excuses Left.

Jimmie—Do you expect to get off to go to any of the football games, Willie?

Willie—Now! I got rid of all my grandmothers and aunts during the baseball season!—Yonkers Statesman.

Real Thing.

Miss Gotrox—I, too, have royal blood in my veins.

Lord Churchmouse—Weally!

"Fact. My grandfather was once king at a masquerade ball."—Chicago Daily News.

HYGIENE IN BARBER SHOPS

Stringent Municipal Government Regulations in Germany Are Rigidly Enforced.

The following report comes from Consul General Guenther of Frankfurt, Germany.

"In late years the hygienic requirements with reference to barbers' shops have been greatly increased, and it seems that they are constantly becoming more severe. So far the authorities had restricted the regulations to the utensils, but lately the personal cleanliness of the barber has also been made the subject of municipal legislation in Germany. Recently the following rules have been established by the municipal government of a large German city:

"The cut-off hair must at once be removed; the floor of the shop must be washed at least twice per week; cold and running water must be supplied; and the barber must wash his hands in warm water before attending to a customer. No cushions or carpets are permitted in barbers' shops. The headrests must be covered for each customer with a fresh napkin of paper or linen. The can knives must wear clean, long upper garments of light color with out pockets. The soap used must be in the form of powder or small tablets.

"The latter from razors must be removed by means of paper. Instead of sponges, pieces of woolen cloth or napkins have to be used. Alum or magnesia can only be used kept in a powder box. The towels and shaving brushes must be cleaned each time after having been used. Nobody is allowed to be shaved suffering from a visible skin disease, unless the proprietor of the barber's shop is convinced that it is not contagious. Sponges, powder puffs, magnesia, and styptics in lumps and revolving brushes are prohibited. Scissors, brushes and combs, as well as the hair-cutting machines and razors, must be cleaned with ammonia or soda and an antiseptic solution. As antiseptics, cylline, iodo, and chinolol are recommended."

DECADENT NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nothing More Depressing Than, a Trip Through Inland Regions of the State, Says Writer.

Nothing in life could be more depressing than a trip through the inland regions of New Hampshire—living with the cynical old men whose energies are spent, and with the occasional young men (Lombroso types), inarticulate but with a keen nose for the innocent-looking farmhouse where liquor is sold under a second-class license, says a writer in Country Life in America.

As a type of what will cease to be possible within a year, let me present the deserted village, which, to spare the feelings of the inhabitants, I will call by a fictitious name—say Deadville. As one walks down from one of the greatest views in the eastern United States into abandoned Deadville the effect is appalling.

Swinging down the main road into "The Center" itself, we pass on right and left four abandoned farms with their houses. As we enter the desolate street we are fronted by a decaying church and a town hall, the stale sun-blistered paint peeling off. On the right hand is a deserted grocery store, and next it an abandoned house and grounds. Three more houses make up the total town community. One of them is for sale, with 65 acres of land, for \$500.

Rather Monotonous.

Weary William—Say, dis t'ing uv doin' nothin' all de time makes me tired.

Roving Robert—How's dat?

"Dere's so much uv it t' do."—Chicago Daily News.

Unabashed.

"How dare you—how dare you try to kiss me, sir?"

"Now, don't repeat that. I'm not the sort of chap that takes a dare, you know."—Cleveland Leader.

Miserable Outlook.

It is a wise provision that neither turkeys nor human beings can foresee what is going to happen to them.

Disagreeable.

If men were forced to eat their words indigestion would be somewhat more prevalent than it is.

New Year's Presents

We have a few nice things left over from our Christmas sales that will make excellent New Year's gifts. We will offer them up to and including New Year's Day, at greatly reduced prices. We have left over and offer

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1 pc. Ladies' Furs, worth 7.00	at 4.00
1 pc. Ladies' Furs, worth 9.00	at 5.50
3 pcs. Ladies' Furs, worth 11.00	at 6.50
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